

BEE FLOOR AMENDMENT

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2211

(Reference to APPROP amendment)

1 Strike pages 14, 15 and 16

2 Page 17, strike lines 1 through 24

3 Renumber to conform

4 Page 65, line 17, strike "27" insert "26"; strike "29" insert "28"

5 Line 20, strike "26" insert "25"; strike "28" insert "27"

6 Between lines 21 and 22, insert:

7 "Sec. 57. Task force on the Arizona assessment of achievements
8 test

9 A. The task force on the Arizona assessment of achievements test is
10 established consisting of the following members from diverse urban and rural
11 areas who shall be appointed by the state board of education:

12 1. A person with expertise and experience in the academic assessment
13 of pupils.

14 2. A principal of a high school in this state.

15 3. A person with expertise in school finance.

16 4. A person with expertise and experience in high school standards and
17 curriculum.

18 5. A person with expertise and experience in business or industry.

19 6. A person with expertise and experience in high school systems and
20 high school resources, including human resources.

21 7. A person with expertise and experience in the delivery and
22 utilization of technology in high schools.

23 B. The state board of education shall select one of the appointed
24 members to serve as the task force chairperson.

25 C. The task force shall:

26 1. Examine the experiences and outcomes of other states that have
27 adopted tests that are required for the graduation of pupils from high school
and that incorporate a national college admission and placement examination.

1 2. Develop methodologies, models and other recommendations for the
2 initial Arizona assessment of achievements test.

3 3. Examine whether the Arizona assessment of achievements test should
4 be a high-stakes test that high school pupils must pass in order to graduate
5 from high school.

6 4. Submit a written report that contains the task force's findings and
7 recommendations by June 30, 2009 to the state board of education, the
8 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of
9 the senate. The task force shall provide a copy of this report to the
10 secretary of state and the director of the Arizona state library, archives
11 and public records.

12 D. The task force may use the services and expertise of the staff of
13 the legislature and the staff of the department of education.

14 Sec. 58. Delayed repeal

15 Section 57 of this act, relating to the task force on the Arizona
16 assessment of achievements test, is repealed from and after September 15,
17 2009.

18 Sec. 59. Duration of contracts for standardized tests

19 Any contracts executed after June 30, 2008 between the state board of
20 education and a publisher of standardized tests for services provided in
21 connection with the design, modification, administration, scoring or
22 evaluation of the Arizona instrument to measure standards test shall not
23 exceed one year in duration.

24 Sec. 60. Conforming legislation

25 The legislative council staff shall prepare proposed legislation
26 conforming the Arizona Revised Statutes to the recommendations of the task
27 force on the Arizona assessment of achievements test for consideration in the
28 forty-ninth legislature, second regular session.

29 Sec. 61. Debt calculation limit; exemption; reporting

30 A. Notwithstanding section 15-1683, subsection A, paragraph 1,
31 subdivision (a), Arizona Revised Statutes, monies distributed from the
32 university capital improvement lease-to-own and bond fund, established in

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1 section 15-1682.03, Arizona Revised Statutes, shall not be included in the
2 debt calculation limit established in section 15-1683, subsection A,
3 paragraph 1, subdivision (a), Arizona Revised Statutes.

4 B. Each university shall report separately in its capital improvement
5 plan what the debt calculation established in section 15-1683, subsection A,
6 paragraph 1, subdivision (a), Arizona Revised Statutes, would be with and
7 without the debt service requirements from subsection A of this section."

8 Renumber to conform

9 Amend title to conform

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